## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1107**

## By Cooper

A RESOLUTION to recognize Susan Michelle Mills, Fourth Annual Living Legend Awards honoree.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we should specially recognize those estimable individuals who have dedicated their time and energies toward enhancing the quality of life in their communities; and

WHEREAS, one such individual is Susan Michelle Mills, who is being honored at the Fourth Annual Living Legend Awards in recognition of the leadership and service she has provided to the people of Shelby County; and

WHEREAS, a licensed advanced practice social worker, Susan Mills has served as the Chief Executive Officer of Goodwill Homes Community Services, Inc., a nonprofit comprehensive social services agency, for the past twenty-two years; and

WHEREAS, a Goodwill Homes employee for a total of forty-four years, Mrs. Mills has worked in every facet of the agency, which provides adult day care, senior citizen care, foster/therapeutic care for children, and senior housing; and

WHEREAS, Susan Mills received her Bachelor of Science degree from Central State
University and her Master of Science degree in Social Work from the University of Tennessee;
and

WHEREAS, a champion for children, Mrs. Mills served as the first African-American president of the Tennessee Alliance for Children, which has a statewide membership of more than 10,000 employees and seventy-five private providers who serve over 50,000 foster care children and families; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Mills is a member of the United Way Agency Executives and a member of the board of directors of the American Humanics, Adult Day Care Licensing Standards, and the National Association of Social Workers; and

WHEREAS, a proud member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., she was appointed to the City of Memphis Advisory Council for Citizens with Disabilities by the mayor of Memphis; and

WHEREAS, a devoted wife, mother, and grandmother, Susan Mills enjoys the love and support of her husband, the Reverend Bruce L. Mills, and their two wonderful children and four treasured grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, throughout her estimable career, Susan Mills has been committed to excellence and community service, and she should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we congratulate Susan Michelle Mills upon her recognition at the Fourth Annual Living Legend Awards, applaud her outstanding community leadership, salute her professional expertise and personal excellence, and extend our best wishes for continued success in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.

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